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Copy of fax to Foster Wheeler concerning the drums at the Magna Metals site.

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**RE:** Magna Metals / ISC Properties  
 Furnace Dock Road  
 Cortlandt, NY

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Dave,

I've attached the pages from the Inactive Hazardous Waste site report that describes the ISC site.

As I mentioned in our telephone call, there are six drums marked "PPE", "Soil Cuttings", "Decon Water", "Well Purge Water" dated between 11/19/97 and 12/10/97. The drums indicate that they were marked by Foster Wheeler with the following contact number (201) 597-7332. I tried calling the phone number, but it has been disconnected. The drums are all in good condition and have been stored in a relatively secure shed.

I briefly discussed the drums with Ms. Sally Dewes of the NYSDEC who informed me that Foster Wheeler did the PH I and PH II / RI at the site.

Please let me know if these are your drums and if you can help us remove them from the site.

Call me if you have any questions or comments (315) 445-2554.

Thanks,  
 Ed Hinchey, P.G.  
 Operations Manager

**C:** Doug Grimmer, Baker Properties

NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION  
DIVISION OF HAZARDOUS WASTE REMEDIATION  
INACTIVE HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL REPORT

CLASSIFICATION CODE: 2

REGION: 3

SITE CODE: 360003

EPA ID: NYD001394881

NAME OF SITE : Magna Metals

STREET ADDRESS: Furnace Dock Road

TOWN/CITY:

Cortlandt

COUNTY:

Westchester

ZIP:

10566

SITE TYPE: Open Dump-

ESTIMATED SIZE:

1

Structure- Lagoon- Landfill- Treatment Pond-  
Acres

SITE OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION:

CURRENT OWNER NAME....: ISC Properties, Inc. (c/o BKW&L, PC)

CURRENT OWNER ADDRESS.: 100 Jericho Quadrangle, Jericho, NY

OWNER(S) DURING USE....: Lightron Corporation

OPERATOR DURING USE....: Magna Metals

OPERATOR ADDRESS.....: Furnace Dock Road, Cortlandt, NY

PERIOD ASSOCIATED WITH HAZARDOUS WASTE: From , 1955 To 1979

Project No.: 58809.00

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SITE DESCRIPTION:

This is an industrial site located east of Furnace Brook. Leaching pits were constructed to receive industrial wastes from plating of steel stampings operation. Operations ceased in 1979. The pits failed with surface discharge to the ground and toward the brook. Part of this property was owned by Lightron Corp. and then ISC properties. ISC signed a Consent Order and agreed to perform an investigation. Leaching pits were emptied in 1980. A field investigation was completed in 1982. In 1983, a pollution investigation by the Westchester County Department of Health revealed significant quantities of solvents in the pits and in tanks on site and in adjacent streams and sediment.

HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSED: Confirmed-X  
TYPE

Suspected-  
QUANTITY (units)

Copper cyanides, zinc cyanide, sodium cyanide  
Lead  
Trichloroethylene  
Xylenes  
Vinyl Chloride  
Ethyl Benzene

Unknown  
Unknown  
Unknown  
Unknown  
Unknown  
Unknown

## ANALYTICAL DATA AVAILABLE:

SITE CODE: 360003

Air- Surface Water-X Groundwater-X Soil- Sediment-X

## CONTRAVENTION OF STANDARDS:

Groundwater- Drinking Water- Surface Water-X Air-

## LEGAL ACTION:

TYPE...: Consent Order State- X Federal-  
 STATUS: Negotiation in Progress- X Order Signed-

## REMEDIAL ACTION:

Proposed- Under design- In Progress- Completed-X  
 NATURE OF ACTION: Sludge pits excavated

## GEOTECHNICAL INFORMATION:

SOIL TYPE: Glacial till

GROUNDWATER DEPTH:

## ASSESSMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS:

Site is near Furnace Brook; overflow from leaching pits originally flowed toward brook. Contamination by solvents discovered both on and off site.

## ASSESSMENT OF HEALTH PROBLEMS:

The analytical data currently available indicates that surface water and soil contaminated with industrial solvents may present a potential pathway of exposure. Access to the site is unrestricted. At locations along Furnace Brook levels of trichloroethene as high as 130 ppb were detected in surface water. According to Westchester County Health Department personnel homes in the vicinity of this site are supplied with public water. To adequately characterize the extent of contaminant migration and potential pathways of exposure a RI/FS is planned for this site. Future land use on and off-site must be considered prior to remediation of the site to insure acceptable cleanup levels for soil.